



ICMA Solicits Ideas for Brownfields Research

The International City/County Management Association's (ICMA's) brownfields researchers are soliciting input so they can craft projects and programs that meet the needs of local governments and practitioners.

For a number of years, ICMA staff members have been working with local governments and communities in an effort to identify best practices and strategies in brownfields redevelopment, and share them with other brownfields practitioners. In these efforts, ICMA has worked with a number of communities to create reports and guidebooks on various brownfields issues, facilitated peer exchanges among brownfields practitioners, and held forums to disseminate and share the findings of research endeavors.

It is important to ICMA to engage brownfields practitioners in its research, and in that vein, brownfields staff members are asking...

What would local governments and community members like to know about brownfields?

ICMA will consider all feedback, interests, and needs in developing future research projects and submitted ideas will ensure that issues that are most important to local governments are covered and delivered in a helpful format.

When responding, please consider the following questions:

- * Are there specific brownfields issues and topics that you would like to know more about?
- * What type of resources are you looking for?
- * What type of training, technical assistance, or tools do you need?
- * What challenges are you facing in your brownfields redevelopment efforts?
- * Have you been looking for a particular type of resource or information on a specific topic and been unable to find it?
- * What types of resources have been most useful to you as a brownfields practitioner, and which types have not proven useful?

Please send comments to brownfieldsource@icma.org.